



Dunhurst *Friday Report*

13—05—11

Friday 13th May	Jaw Athletics Groups train departs Petersfield Groups train arrives Waterloo	4.30—5.30pm 4.18pm 5.43pm
Saturday 14th May	Childtalk: Gill Harris 'Life in Block 3' Blocks train departs Petersfield Blocks train arrives Waterloo	11.45—12.45pm 1.48pm 2.51pm
Sunday 15th May	Train departs Waterloo Train arrives Petersfield	6.30pm 7.37pm
Monday 16th May	Some Block II to British Music Experience at the O2 ABRSM exams	All day 9.30—5.30pm
Tuesday 17th May	Trip to Radio Action Stations, Portsmouth Historic Dockyard (30xBlock I and II) ABRSM exams Vocal Summer Platform	1.15—5.15pm 9.30—5.30pm 6.15pm
Wednesday 18th May	Question and Answer session for Group 1 parents about Camps Week U9, U11 and U12 Girls Athletics at Westbourne House U11 Cricket VIII v Oakwood (A) U13 Rounders v Portsmouth Grammar School (H) Rock Show	8.30—8.45am 2.00—5.30pm 2.30—5.30pm 4.30—5.30pm 6.30 – 8.15pm
Thursday 19th May	LAMDA exams Group 2 Trip to Farnham Museum	All day 8.30—4.30pm
Friday 20th May	Block 2 day off—packing for Camps Week School ends for Camps Week	4.00pm
Saturday 21st May	No school Parents' Education Forum in Dunannie Library Block 2 depart for France	11.00—1.00pm 12.30pm



Letter from Penny...

Dear Parents

As you will probably realise by now we are distributing the Friday Report in hard copy for the next few weeks, just to remind you all how useful it is, especially during such a busy term of activity (both here and abroad). Please do check details of all trips, times and places daily so that we can keep all of you and more importantly your children safe, happy and secure over this exciting term.

Boarding parents have been informed of an Ofsted Boarding Inspection taking place on Tuesday, 17th May and Wednesday, 18th May next week. Dunhurst is always ready and prepared for such sudden events and the Boarding community is looking forward to the Inspector's visit. I will let you know how it goes!

All Block Two parents are welcome to attend this Saturday's Childtalk when Gill Harris (Head of Block 3 currently) and Clare Lock (mum of Pippa in Group 3 and Head of Block Three from September) will talk about life in the first important year at Bedales. The talk will take place in the Humanities Room from 11.45am and finish in time for Pick Up and will offer plenty of opportunity for questions.

Next week is buzzing with activity. A trip to the Historic Dockyard at Portsmouth, LAMDA exams and the Rock Show will lead into Camps Week and preparations very nicely. Friday will be a non-school day for Block Two children ONLY and there is no school for Block Ones on Saturday. Camps expect and demand a great deal from both children and staff; experience shows that providing some peaceful time to pack and prepare for the week ahead serves to make for successful and happy Camps. Good luck, everyone!

A big thank you to Wendy for organising and hosting the Block Two Careers Morning on Thursday. The selection of speakers this year has been particularly interesting and the interest shown by the children makes the effort worthwhile.

Finally, Pam Weston will be teaching Science two days a week next term, alongside Alan Simmons, Ralph and Catherine. A new Head of Science will be appointed at the start of next term and is likely to join Dunhurst for January. Despite best efforts we have not yet found the very special person we need to replace Alan Suart who takes early retirement at the end of this term.

The next Friday Report will be information re: Camps Week ONLY.

Penny



What's going on ...

- Train Arrangements**
- Friday 13th May—Groups Train only**
Depart Petersfield 4:18pm Arrive Waterloo 5:43pm - for Groups only
- Saturday 14th May—Blocks Train**
Depart Petersfield 1:48pm Arrive Waterloo 2:51pm
Arrive Guildford 2:15pm
- Sunday 15th May**
Depart Waterloo 6:30pm Arrive Petersfield 7:37pm
Depart Guildford 7:10pm
- Gaps Duty Mobile Number 07827478489**

CHILDTALK

'Life in Block 3'

Saturday 14th May

Gill Harris, Head of Block 3

In Dunhurst Humanities Room

11.45—12.45pm

Dunhurst Rock Show

Fingers crossed that the good weather stays with us because this year's Rock Show is outside on Cobb's Field!

- ✓ No tickets required
- ✓ You are welcome to picnic from 5.30pm
- ✓ Start time : 6.30pm
- ✓ Pick-up time : 8.15pm
- ✓ Groups day children need to be accompanied by their parents from 5.30pm.

Looking forward to a great night!

Helen Retter – new Residential House Mistress

Helen Retter, who is taking over from Pam in September, will be available to meet parents of girl boarders currently in Groups and Block 1 on Friday 27 May between 2.30 and 5.30 pm in the dining room at Dunhurst. Refreshments will be available. This will tie in with you waiting to collect children on their return from Camps Week.



What's going on ...

Vocal Platform: Tuesday 17th May 6.15pm

You are warmly invited to an informal concert in the Dunhurst Music Department, Lully Room where the following pupils will be performing vocal pieces this Tuesday evening. The Summer Platform Series of Concerts are designed for pupils to take part regardless of whether they are performing for the first time or are more experienced. Refreshments will be available in the music department from 6pm.

Kathy

Pupils taking part:

Charlotte A	Meg A	Izzy E	Chloe FW	Jemima G	Stella G
Oscar H	Kitty K	Pippa L	Issy M	Josh M	Delilah M
Emily O	Tara N	Bridget N	Anisha R	Antonia R	Issy S
Scarlet T	Amber W				

Academic Forum Saturday 21 May – Invitation to Junior School parents

Parents from Dunhurst and Dunannie are invited to a forum to hear how Bedales Senior School combines inspiration, breadth of learning and inquisitiveness with academic rigour, strong results and good outcomes at higher education.

Keith Budge (Headmaster, Bedales Schools) and Dominic Oliver (Managing Head of the Senior School) will join Jo Webber, Penny Watkins and Kathy Misson to discuss the overall approach at Bedales including Block 3 induction and curriculum, Bedales Assessed Courses, the Sixth Form, and progression to higher education.

To discuss how Bedales students learn through 'Head, Hand and Heart', Junior School parents are encouraged to come along to the Dunannie Library from 11.30 -12.30 on Saturday 21 May (with refreshments from 11).

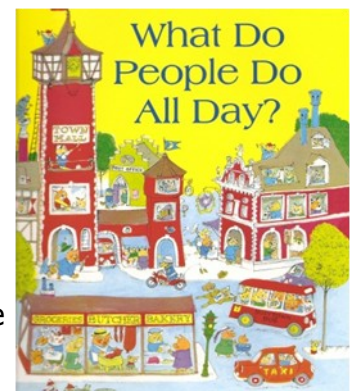
Block 2 Camps Week trip to Normandy.

Calling all passports and EHIC cards! PLEASE could we have these in school by MONDAY at the latest. Also, please could Block 2 pupils remember that they need to bring a day/travel bag with them on the trip (a rucksack is ideal) and don't forget to pack your FANCY DRESS! If you have any questions please email Liv at oburnett@bedales.org.uk, otherwise we'll look forward to seeing you in the Well at 12 noon on Saturday 21st.

Merci! Liv

BLOCK 2 careers education

Thursday morning saw the second landmark stage in our Blocks careers programme, when all Block 2 pupils had the opportunity to hear from seven speakers, invited to tell us about their work - "what they do all day", how they started and reached where they are now and what sparked them to choose this career. We had a broad sweep of professional people who held the interest of our pupils with no difficulty and to whom our Block 2 students responded with interest, maturity and courtesy. The final stage of this programme will come when our students, after preparation in classes with Judy, Wendy and parent helpers, will participate in this year's Work Shadowing Day on Tuesday 28th June. To be continued.....





What's going on ...

THE LONDON HARP TRIO

Judith Treggor (flute), Gustav Clarkson (viola), Frances Kelly (harp)

Families, especially of children who play stringed and wind instruments, are warmly encouraged to consider attending what promises to be an inspiring recital in the Olivier Theatre on Tuesday 24th May at 7.30pm. The London Harp Trio will be playing a very attractive mixed programme featuring trios, duos and a harp solo. The talented instrumentalists have played in leading ensembles such as the London Mozart Players, Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, Orchestre Révolutionnaire et Romantique, the Coull Quartet etc., making many broadcasts and recordings as ensemble players and soloists, and bring all of this experience to their recently formed Trio.



An opportunity to see and hear ensemble playing of this quality at close quarters, in a serious but friendly atmosphere, can be a revelation for young players. The programme includes works by Mozart, Bach, Fauré and Debussy, among others. Tickets are priced at £10 for adults, £8 for students and may be booked via tickets@bedales.org.uk or (01730) 711511 and are also on sale at One Tree Books in Lavant Street, Petersfield.



Sport ...

DUNHURST SPONSORED SWIM

We got off to an absolutely cracking start on Wednesday when GIK participated in the sponsored swimand all those participating swam 60 widths of the school pool which is more than equivalent to the maximum 30 lengths target. What a fantastic achievement it was for all of the children, they were all well chuffed and rightly so. They were quickly followed by BIR and half of BIS who also completed the maximum number of 30 lengths. That leaves another seven sessions over the next week to complete.

Money from the swim has already started to come in and staff will sign the sponsor forms to confirm that your child has completed the swim. Pupils can hand in their sponsor money from the start of next week but can collect it over half term. We would like to have all the proceeds in by Wednesday 22nd June so that we can present our cheques the following week.

Money can be in the form of cash or cheque (cheques should be made payable to Bedales School with sponsored swim written on the back) and should be handed into Susan or Lucy on reception. The money will be secured and a note made of the total raised by each child. Every bit of sponsorship helps and the children have already shown great enthusiasm for the venture. Thank you for your continued support.

Alan



Sport ...

U11 Cricket VIII v Kingscourt

The U11 Cricket team had their first league match on Wednesday – a paired cricket match v. Kingscourt. We started very well and took four wickets in the first five overs, but were unable to keep it up for the rest of the innings. We bowled too many wides and they finished on 86 runs. We started batting brightly and were on target to win the match until the halfway point. Unfortunately, they took a few wickets and we were unable to reach our target. We ended the match on 54. We are going to focus on bowling next week and will try our best against Oakwood! - Ryan

U13 Cricket v St Edmunds

At last, a normal week and the chance to practice on a Monday. With some useful sessions behind us we took to the field with good confidence, bowling first. Milo and Max started with some tight bowling but it was evident early on that St. Edmunds' batsmen played with a good straight bat and were capable of playing shots all around the wicket. Rory and Max came on as first change to the bowling attack and soon Rory got reward for some straight bowling, bowling their opener. Then followed a lucky break with George running out the other opener with a good throw. St. Edmunds put together a solid partnership with runs coming quickly so it was important for the guys to come together for a quick chat on the field. With a renewed outlook on our performance we took wickets quickly. Max Y started bowling with great accuracy and he got his first wickets for the school - three in fact! Milo came back to the attack and picked up two wickets and with another run out competing the wickets taken for the innings, St. Edmunds finished with a rather impressive total of 195.

Chasing a big target is never easy so it was decided to try and build partnerships and try to see out our innings. Alex and Rory opened and looked comfortable although the scoring rate was slow. Rory was caught at slip after a good ball and Alex's resistance came to a halt with another good delivery. Max H and Milo were at the crease now and they put on a good partnership of 38 with Milo taking the lead with a quick fire 27 runs. Max offered 12 runs but the innings capitulated somewhat after that and our other batsmen struggled. We finished the match substantially below our target but I was pleased to see some improvements again in our game. Well done guys! Mark



U11 Rounders v Alton Convent

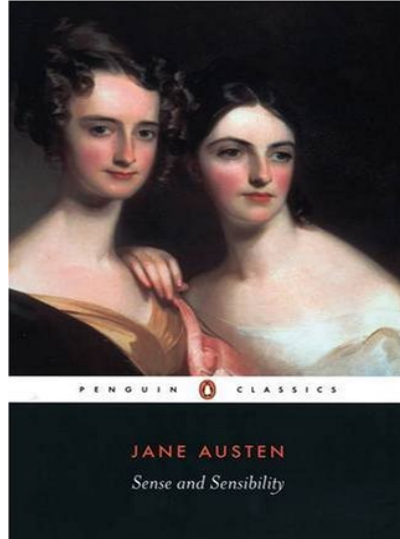
On Wednesday 11th May the U11 rounders A and B teams played Alton Convent. Because they only brought one U11 team, both of our teams played their A team. Our A's started off batting. They got a lot of people out in the first 7 minutes, but luckily Pippa, Scarlet and Rachel managed to keep us in until the end of the timed innings. We then fielded. We managed to get them all out before their time. Then the B team played. They did really well but they were playing Alton Convent's A team. The final result was the A team won their match 9½ - 3 and the B team lost their match 8½ - 3. Pippa and Willow got bees knees and on the B team Flissy, Cressie, Toria and Izzy E all played very well. Well done everyone! - Rachel





What's going on ... Friends

Bedales Parents' Literary Review



The next meeting of the BPLR will be on Monday 6th June at 9.30am in the Dining Room of Dunhurst (after the Friends of Dunhurst coffee).

We will be considering Jane Austen's *Sense and Sensibility* and continuing our discussion of *Persuasion*. Copies of the books are available at *One Tree Books* in Petersfield.

Please do come along.

All parents from the three schools are welcome.

Friends of Dunhurst

Some dates to remember:

Monday 6th June – Friends' Coffee – 8.30 - Dining Room

followed by:

Bedales' Parents Literary Review - 9.30
(see the poster for details)

Saturday 11th June - Friends' AGM

11.00-1.00 Dunannie Library

Friday 1st July

- Friends' Summer BBQ

~ Caribbean Evening ~ more detail to follow



*Parents' **action** page ...*

1. Please return any outstanding Camp permission forms and for Block II children, passports.
2. Block II parents do come to the Childtalk tomorrow.
3. Don't forget the Rock Show on Wednesday.
4. Do come and support the vocal summer platform on Tuesday.
5. Do come to the Academic Forum next Saturday.
6. Please help your child collect and hand in their sponsored swim money.
7. Do make note of the up and coming Friends of Dunhurst. dates